

SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION/Final Passage

SUBJECT: Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 1998 . . . S. 858. Final passage, as amended.

ACTION: BILL PASSED, 98-1

SYNOPSIS: As passed, S. 858, the Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 1998, will authorize appropriations for intelligence activities and programs of the U.S. Government, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and the Community Management Account of the Director of Central Intelligence. Most of the Intelligence Committee's specific recommendations related to the Administration's budget request for intelligence activities are classified and are contained in the classified annex accompanying the bill. Unclassified details are provided below.

National Foreign Intelligence Program of the Director of Central Intelligence:

- significant funding increases will be provided: for the "five C's" (counter-proliferation, counter-narcotics, counter-terrorism, counter-intelligence, and covert action); for advanced research and development; to increase the skills and tools of clandestine service personnel; to develop new and innovative approaches to understanding "hard target" countries; and to enhance analytical capabilities and tools for conducting information operations;
- several classified recommendations will be made to further strengthen National Reconnaissance Program financial management;
- the Federal Bureau of Information (FBI) will submit a report within 90 days on the FBI's intentions with regard to the recommendations that it has not acted upon from the Justice Department Inspector General's report on its performance in uncovering the espionage activities of Aldrich Ames; and
- the Director of Central Intelligence will submit a report to relevant congressional committees by March 1, 1998, that will outline the specific actions taken and to be taken to enhance cooperation between the Defense and Intelligence communities (this report will be required due to substantial mismanagement and lack of communication between the communities with regard to information and warnings provided on Iraqi chemical weapons).

Joint Military Intelligence Program:

(See other side)

YEAS (98)				NAYS (1)		NOT VOTING (1)	
Republican (55 or 100%)		Democrats (43 or 98%)		Republicans (0 or 0%)	Democrats (1 or 2%)	Republicans (0)	Democrats (1)
Abraham	Hutchinson	Akaka	Kennedy		Harkin		Daschle- ⁴
Allard	Hutchison	Baucus	Kerrey				
Ashcroft	Inhofe	Biden	Kerry				
Bennett	Jeffords	Bingaman	Kohl				
Bond	Kempthorne	Boxer	Landrieu				
Brownback	Kyl	Breaux	Lautenberg				
Burns	Lott	Bryan	Leahy				
Campbell	Lugar	Bumpers	Levin				
Chafee	Mack	Byrd	Lieberman				
Coats	McCain	Cleland	Mikulski				
Cochran	McConnell	Conrad	Moseley-Braun				
Collins	Murkowski	Dodd	Moynihan				
Coverdell	Nickles	Dorgan	Murray				
Craig	Roberts	Durbin	Reed				
D'Amato	Roth	Feingold	Reid				
DeWine	Santorum	Feinstein	Robb				
Domenici	Sessions	Ford	Rockefeller				
Enzi	Shelby	Glenn	Sarbanes				
Faircloth	Smith, Bob	Graham	Torricelli				
Frist	Smith, Gordon	Hollings	Wellstone				
Gorton	Snowe	Inouye	Wyden				
Gramm	Specter	Johnson					
Grams	Stevens						
Grassley	Thomas						
Gregg	Thompson						
Hagel	Thurmond						
Hatch	Warner						
Helms							

EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

- 1—Official Business
- 2—Necessarily Absent
- 3—Illness
- 4—Other

SYMBOLS:

- AY—Announced Yea
- AN—Announced Nay
- PY—Paired Yea
- PN—Paired Nay

- final recommendations will not be made for the National Imagery and Mapping Agency until a report is reviewed on a strategy for increased use of commercial, civil, and foreign (CCF) imagery; and

- funding for the Outrider Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle will be reduced.

Tactical intelligence and related activities:

- funding for Joint Surveillance Target Acquisition Radar Systems (JSTARS) will be reduced in accordance with the Quadrennial Defense Review's recommendation that the inventory be reduced from 19 to 13 aircraft.

Miscellaneous:

- the Inspector General of the CIA will be given subpoena authority;
- three additional years will be added to the President's authority to delay the imposition of proliferation-related sanctions when necessary to protect an intelligence source or method or an ongoing criminal investigation;
- the President will issue guidance to employees of the executive branch and employees of contractors carrying out activities under classified contracts that will make clear that an employee may disclose classified information to appropriate oversight committees or to the employee's own congressional representative if the employee reasonably believes that information evidences: a violation of a law, rule or regulation; a false statement to Congress on an issue of material fact; or gross mismanagement, a gross waste of funds, an abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety;
- the Secretary of State will be required to take all appropriate actions to make available to victims and families of victims information regarding murders and kidnappings of U.S. citizens abroad; and
- it is the sense of the Senate that tax reform should be fairly distributed (see vote No. 107).

Those favoring final passage contended:

This bipartisan bill was reported unanimously by the Intelligence Committee. Though most of its details are classified, we can still discuss the major priorities it will pursue. Those priorities include increased funding for the "five C's" (counterterrorism, counterproliferation, counternarcotics, counterintelligence, and covert action) and for advanced research and development. Much of America's advantage in defense and international law enforcement comes from the inside knowledge gained from intelligence activities. This bill will authorize the funding and provide the focus needed to ensure that America retains that advantage. We urge Senators to vote in its favor.

No arguments were expressed in opposition to final passage.